

# Occupational Certificate: Early Childhood Development Practitioner

**Duration: 12 Months**



## COURSE OUTLINE

**PROGRAM Title** : Occupational Certificate: Early Childhood Development Practitioner

**NQF Level** : 4

**SAQA ID** : 97542

**Minimum Credits** : 163

**Purpose** : The purpose of this qualification is to prepare a learner to operate as an Early Childhood Development Practitioner in centre-based and non-centre-based early childhood development settings.

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## COURSE OVERVIEW

Embark on a transformative journey with our comprehensive Early Childhood Development Practitioner Course. This comprehensive course provides aspiring practitioners with the essential skills and knowledge required to work effectively in both centre-based and non-centre-based early childhood development settings. It prepares students to create enriching environments that promote the social, emotional, cognitive, and physical growth of young children. With the increasing demand for high-quality services, completing this qualification opens doors to a fulfilling career in the field.

## COURSE OUTCOMES

**On completion of the program, you will be able to:**

- Planning and implementing broad-phase learning environments and engaging activities that cater to the holistic needs of children.
- Facilitating and managing daily programs in both centre-based and non-centre-based settings.
- Observing, assessing, and documenting each child's progress.
- Compiling comprehensive reports on individual child development.
- Promoting the overall well-being, health, nutrition, safety, and protection of children.

## Accreditation status:

- NQF Level 4 – Accredited by the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO)
- SAQA ID: 97542
- 131 Credits

## Course duration:

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## Entry requirements:

- National Certificate Vocational (NCV) at NQF Level 3, OR
- Any other NQF Level 3 qualification.

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## **SUBJECTS**

### **Knowledge Modules (43 Credits):**

- KM-01: Introduction to the early childhood development sector
- KM-02: Theories and perspectives of child development
- KM-03: Planning and programme development in early childhood settings
- KM-04: Facilitation and mediation of active learning
- KM-05: Observation and assessment in early childhood development
- KM-06: Promotion of health, safety and well-being of children
- KM-07: Administration for early childhood development services and programmes

### **Practical Skill Modules (43 Credits):**

- PM-01: Plan and prepare inclusive educational activities and routines using an approved programme based on the curriculum framework
- PM-02: Facilitate and mediate active learning in an integrated and holistic learning programme
- PM-03: Observe, assess, record and report each child's progress according to the age and stage
- PM-04: Support and promote the health, nutrition, safety, protection and well-being of children
- PM-05: Build and maintain collaborative relationships with parents and other service providers
- PM-06: Prepare and maintain administrative systems



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### Work Experience Modules (118 Credits):

- Work Experience Modules (45 credits)
- WM-01: Learning programme and routines planning and preparation process
- WM-02: Processes of facilitating and mediating the learning programme in a variety of contexts
- WM-03: Processes of observation, assessment, recording and reporting on children's learning and development
- WM-04: Processes and procedures of promoting the health, nutrition, safety, protection and well-being of children in an early childhood development setting

### Eligibility requirements for the external summative assessment:

- You will receive an **Occupational Certificate: Early Childhood Development Practitioner** from the QCTO upon the completion of the External Integrated Summative Assessment